

Helps Needy Homeowners Chill Out with Air Conditioning Relief

For the fifth year in a row, Project Cool Aid, sponsored by the Arizona Registrar of Contractors (ROC) and the Air Conditioning Contractors of America-Arizona (ACCA-AZ), will provide selected Maricopa County homeowners with free home cooling system repair.

In the first four years of the program, Project Cool Aid has helped more than 150 families. Labor, supplies and equipment are donated for this program and have exceeded \$500,000 in value since the program's inception.

According to the Arizona Department of Health Services, from 1996 to 2006, 433 citizens from Arizona died from heat exposure due to excessive temperatures. In Maricopa County, 253 of those deaths occurred during the Valley's summer heat. Most affected by the extreme summer temperatures are seniors, children and individuals with certain medical conditions.

## Do you or someone you know need help?

Maricopa County homeowners have through March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 to apply for Project Cool Aid. Applicants must submit a statement of need to the ROC that includes the following:

- Homeowner's name, address and telephone number
- Description of cooling system needs
- Number and description of family members
- Special circumstances which may include health, disability issues and extreme financial concerns

The statements of need must be mailed to the Arizona Registrar of Contractors, Attention: Project Cool Aid, 3838 N. Central Ave., Ste. 400, Phoenix, AZ 85012-1946 or e-mailed to <a href="mailed-to-projectcoolaid@azroc.gov">projectcoolaid@azroc.gov</a>. All applications must be <a href="mailed-to-projectcoolaid@azroc.gov">received by the ROC by March 1st, 2008</a> to be considered for the program.

